

GOOD OLD WORLD, AFTER ALL

Let the Peasimist Read This and Get Into a Better Frame of Mind.

This is a good world. It's growing better every day. We can't say this often enough or strong enough, for it is not only recording a fact but it is getting behind the chariot of progress and giving it a push ourselves.

Rich men's sons are not all "rounders" because a few since their wings in the white lights. Most of them set about mastering the intricacies of dad's business so they ease his shoulders of some of the strain and get in trim to take it all themselves, some time. Others, still more independent, strike out for themselves.

Rich men's daughters are not all brainless and snobbish and extravagant. For one that runs away with a chauffeur there are thousands who go to college and come out of it noble women.

And the poor do better, with less to help them. Most boys put their necks in the family harness and help pull with their fathers. It is the girls, however, who pass them in this service. If the average girl elects to stay at home—and the one serious point of criticism is that not enough do—she doesn't have to write abroad for advice to ease her mother's grind. And if she goes into shop or office or factory, the mother often gets the sealed pay envelope at the end of the week and does out the spending money to the girl who earns it. More girls than the world knows about, or knowing, praise as it should, put aside their chances for a home of their own to keep that of their mother secure.

It's a good world and the overwhelming majority of good girls not only help to make it so, but brighten it as well.

ACTOR A MAN OF RESOURCE

Saved Cab Fare and at the Same Time Got Even with Unkind Critic.

District Attorney Jerome of New York was praising at the Union club a resourceful lawyer.

"Get him in a hole," said Mr. Jerome, "and he is out of it the very next second. He is as resourceful as an actor I recently heard about."

"This actor, at two or three o'clock one morning, got in a taxicab to drive home, and when almost there discovered that his money was spent. He had nothing for cab fare.

"A famous physician lived near by, and the resourceful actor told the chauffeur to stop there. Then he jumped out, rang the physician's night bell and screamed up the tube in an agonized voice:

"Doctor, our baby! It has swallowed its rattle! Quick! I've got a taxicab waiting."

"I'll be down at once," said the doctor.

"And he appeared at once, an overcoat over his pajamas, and a case of instruments under his arm.

"The actor bundled him into the taxicab.

"To 84 West Steenth street," he said to the chauffeur, "I'll go on to the drugist's."

"And the actor walked off chuckling, for the address he had given was that of an old maid dramatic critic who had dared to roast his last play."

"Lagniappe"

"Lagniappe," a New Orleans custom, also hard. A year ago the retail grocers of that city agreed that they would refrain from giving a bonus or present to customers, as it was a burden they could not support, but since then some two hundred of the retailers have resumed the practice. The others now say they will boycott the wholesalers who sell to the retailers who have violated the agreement. The sentiment of the grocers, however, is in the habit of expectation that has long been cultivated in the customers. "Give me my lagniappe," is regarded as a legitimate demand, and the lagniappe is not held to be a gratuity or gift, but a commission earned by the purchaser for having conferred his or her patronage or the patronage of the family the purchaser represents.

Saintly "Guide."

An Englishman having business in a certain Danish town arrived at the railway station. He inquired of a group of men standing near the way to the house he wanted, whereupon one of them offered to go with him and show him. With recollections of what such a service meant in England, he said: "I don't want a guide." "But surely you asked us to show you the way," said one of them. "Yes, but I don't want a guide." "My dear sir, I am not a guide; I am the bishop."

A Home for Spirits.

Andrew Hale, a recluse who recently committed suicide at Lebanon, Ore., had a house to which he had about twenty additions. Each of its small rooms was for the abode of the spirit of a departed friend. The house was filled with curious things, gathered together to amuse the spirits. A lot of shoe strings, several clocks, musical instruments and various articles were there. The collection must have cost Hale more than \$2,500.

Evidence of Inebriety.

Nell—I'm afraid Mr. Gunzler had too much drink at the dinner last night. Nell—What makes you think so? Nell—When the charlotte russe was served he was trying to blow the froth off.—Philadelphia Record.

USEFUL CHRISTMAS IDEA.
(By Eleanor Allyn.)

A white, crystal and silver dinner set, a beautiful variety from the secret and

green of the usual Christmas festivity. It is not too late to gather leaves that may be skeletonized and bleached in weak sulphuric acid. After bleaching dip in a solution of gum arabic and then in diamond dust to make them sparkle. Some may be suspended in a strong solution of silicate of soda to make a snowlike deposit. These are arranged about a crystal mirror for a centerpiece. White swans such as may be bought at the florist's, filled with white carnations and white leaves, float on this silver lake, bearing in their beaks the ends of white satin ribbons which extend to the plates and are fastened to the place cards. From the chandelier the silver rain or glitter that is found at any store where Christmas tree ornaments are sold, may fall in profusion to simulate a fountain. All the tableware should be either of glass, silver or white china. The effect of white should be carried out in the menu as far as possible. A white soup, a white fish course, meat of the white variety, with potatoes and cauliflower or turnips, a white salad, the dessert of either pineapple ice or vanilla cream, and the cake and bon-bons all white. The souvents should be candy boxes simulating snowflakes, filled with French creams. Instead of walnuts and raisins serve blanched almonds and crystallized pineapple. The maid should wear white also, and the white and silver idea carried out as far as possible in the decorations of the room.

Games for Christmas playing are usually of the old-fashioned variety. Certain romping plays seem to be sacred to the day of the children's saint.

Older people, however, sometimes feel the need of a more restful ending to a rather strenuous day. A game for them may be arranged by cutting out of book catalogues and advertisements all the illustrations of books bearing the title in plain letters. The late magazines are full of new and fascinating titles and the old ones all have a store that will add to the open pile. Each player should be furnished with a large sheet of writing paper, a pencil and a tube of paste. Each player draws ten of the book covers, which should be carefully cut out and with them endeavors to make a sentence, pasting the cover on the sheet and writing words of his own between. The first one who uses all his ten covers may draw more and go on with the tale until the last one has his sentence completed. The one using the most titles may be awarded the first prize, which should be a late book. The one making the most interesting story may also be awarded a prize, and a little largess at the book store will discover a little pamphlet suited to the one who wins the booby prize. As a sample of the way to weave the titles in there is an example: "The Baby's Record" of my hero shows "The Reader" that he was a "Sandy" little chap, always "True to Himself, and ready to Do and Dare." For him there were more than "Three Speeds Forward," and more than "Four Roads to Paradise," and he tried them all. He spent "Ten Nights in a Bar-room" but has "Recollections of a Gold Cure Graduate" to record." The titles are endless and much personal history will enliven the game.

Crack Shots of the World in National Tourney



In the shooting box at Traverse Is-land, where the National Shooting tournament begins on December 10.

A CLAIM FOR CLASSICS.

Their Efficacy as Preparation for Leaders of Men.

Views of leading headmasters printed in the Daily Mail in the last few days are sufficiently unanimous to suggest that a movement which might almost be termed a "classical renaissance" now accompanies the strong tendency in favor of technical, commercial and modern systems of education.

Oscar Browning says: "I am a firm believer in a classical education. Whatever may be urged against it, no rival system has yet been invented which can surpass it. Modern languages and history are admirable studies, but a well trained classic is better prepared for dealing with them than any one else. I am well acquainted with French, German and Italian, but I owe my proficiency in these languages to my classical training. Sir Henry Maine, one of the greatest publicists of our age, was a first rate classical scholar; so is Goldwin Smith.

"The Greek language is the most perfect expression of the subtlest thought and emotion of the most gifted nation of whom we have any knowledge. The study, even the temporary and superficial study of it leaves an indelible impression. It is the 'deep breathing' of the mind. He who knows most of Greek will know most of everything.

first qualification for a leader of men. These studies produced the Ciceroian statesmen of the 18th century, whose busts decorate the upper school at Eton and to whom our country owes so much.

"Science is not an education and never can be, mathematics is not an education and never was, the only education worthy of the name is literature, and literature education must be sound, solid and enduring must be founded upon the classical languages and especially on Greek."

Dr. Gray of Bradford College deprecates the existence of "two opposing systems of education for youths up to 17 and 18. The alleged fact that a greater capacity for acquiring general knowledge is to be found among classical students," he says, "does not in itself form a proof that classical studies are the best mental gymnastics. It must be remembered that by far the greatest and most valuable academic prizes have been allocated to this particular sphere of learning and, to quote from my recent inaugural address at Winnipeg, 'just as where the carcass is there will the eagles be gathered together,' so where the emoluments have been thither do the cleverest students concentrate their intellectual forces."

Dr. Gray advocates a grand trunk system of education, in which one dead language, one modern language, history, geography, mathematics, English literature, natural science and manual training should all gain a proportionate place.—London Daily Mail.

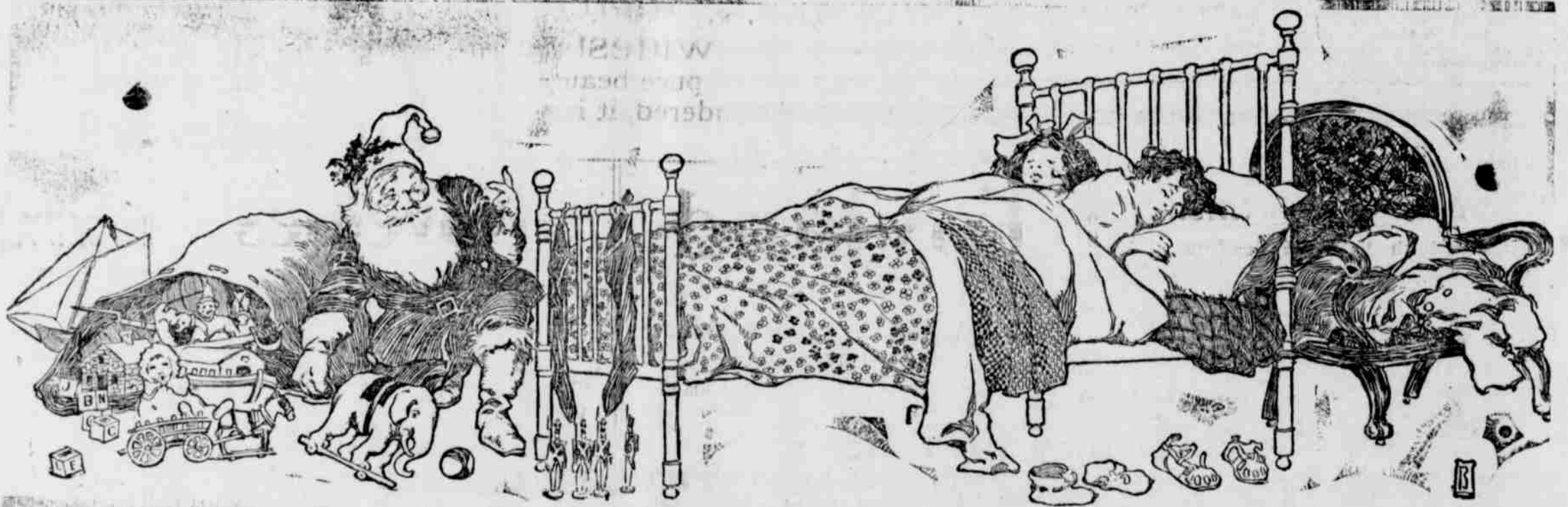
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China Department

Some of the most beautiful gifts to be found in this department. Beautiful pieces of hand-painted China cups and saucers, plates, hair receivers, comb trays, vases, sugar and creamers, etc. These goods were purchased especially for Christmas trade and are selling at remarkably low prices.

Toy Department

Everything to please the little ones, all sorts of mechanical toys, rocking horses, carriages, tea sets, dolls, etc. Toys of all sorts. All marked especially low so as to dispose of them during the holiday season.

Something to Please the Men

Nowhere can you find anything to beat our line of smoking and shaving sets, military brushes, etc., from the inexpensive kind to the most elaborate. There isn't anything you could give a man that he would appreciate more.

Shirts

New Shirts just in time from the makers, bought, especially for the holiday trade and they're decidedly right. Each 50c, \$1 and \$1.25, \$1.50 up to \$3.00.

HOLIDAY NECKWEAR—Immense assortments of the season's finest and latest novelties in imported silks, some of the most delicate weaves, 25c, 50c and 75c. Good 50c styles for 25c each.

SILK SUSPENDERS with fancy buckles. Each pair in a handsome box. Pair 50c, 75c, 98c.

MUFFLERS—Full dress-scarf or square mufflers—beautiful designs; very newest shades, 50c to \$3.00.

Furs are Acceptable Xmas Gifts

They are useful, luxurious, elegant and universally becoming and a gift that every woman will appreciate. We are showing a splendid collection and most complete stock of fine high grade dependable Furs, Fur Coats, Neck Pieces and Muffs. Every desirable style on display at popular prices.

Seal Skin, Fur Lined and Cloth Caps

Every man appreciates a nice cap for Christmas. Seal-skin caps from \$5.00 to \$15.00. Fur lined caps from 75c to \$2.00. Large line of boys caps from 50c to \$1.25.

Give Reliable Gloves for Christmas

The quality which makes a gift of Kid Gloves so acceptable is assured in every pair we sell.

Long Gloves, glove kid, in all the favorite colors and black and white, pair, \$3.00.

Elbow length Gloves, lisle, cashmere and silk, 75c, \$1, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00.

Short Kid Gloves, genuine Trefousse quality, pair \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00.

Men's Kid Gloves, lined or unlined, \$1, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 pair.

Men's fur lined gloves and mittens in kid and mocha, \$2.25, \$2.50 and \$3.00.

Gloves and Mittens for boys and girls, all styles, pair 25c to \$1.

Men's Umbrellas

Very handsome styles, plain handles and a big variety of silver and gold trimmed handles, priced according to quality, each, \$3.00 to \$10.00.

Jewelry and Perfumery

Cut crystal Hat Pins, extra brilliant tops, cut with many facets, ruby, emerald, etc., 50c, and 75c. Triple Neck Chains of garnet, amethyst and opalescent beads, \$1.75.

Ladies' fine back combs 25c to \$3.50. Fine combination sets for men, cuff buttons and scarf pins, \$1.25 to \$2.50.

Children's Perfumes, assorted odors in the little cartons, fancy Japanese boxes, suit cases, etc., all nice perfumes, 25c.

Dorothy Vernon, Corylopsis Golf Queen, Indian Lilies, Violets of Sicily, Edgewood Violet in neat Christmas boxes, 50c, 75c, \$1.00.

Slippers for Xmas Gifts

Men's Cavalier Slippers, black, tan and kid, \$1.25 to \$2.00.

Men's Romeo, with elastic sides, black and tan, kid, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75.

Ladies' Felt Julietts, fur trimmed, with leather soles, in black, brown, gray and wine; spring heel, trimmed with ribbon, in color to match, and felt slippers with felt soles, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

Misses' and children's red felt Juliet slippers, fur trimmed, with leather sole and "comfy," 75c to 98c.

Sweater Coats

Special purchases have been made for the Christmas selling. Ladies, misses and gent's and children's sweater coats, all shades and styles. A gift that will be appreciated by any member of the family.

Xmas Handkerchiefs

Our beautiful Christmas Handkerchiefs for ladies, men and children are attracting the attention of hundreds of gift purchasers in quest of the prettiest new designs or the most serviceable lines.

Dainty embroidered linen Handkerchiefs, all over or embroidered edge patterns. We specially emphasize on the unequalled value of these, at each 10c to 35c.

Ladies' boxed Handkerchiefs, very attractive packages of the best designs and qualities, per box, 35c to 50c.

Men's Handkerchiefs, initialed or plain, all put up in neat presentation boxes, 15c, 25c, 50c.

Men's nobby colored silk pocket Handkerchiefs, 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c.

Umbrellas are Practical Xmas Gifts

We carry a most excellent assortment of style, suitable for lady or gentleman. Here is a partial list for your selection.

Ladies' Umbrellas, black and the new plain color effects, such as brown, navy, green, etc., very neat, desirable novelties with plain or fancy handles; each \$3.50.

Ladies' Black Silk Mixed Umbrellas, a great variety of new handles and the most dependable frames and fabrics, good umbrellas, from \$1.00 to \$3.00 each.

Knit Shawls

Large and complete assortment of Ladies' Knit Shawls and Scarves in wool and silk, many beautiful designs, finished with lace or fringe edge. Prices ranging 75c up to \$3.00.

Beautiful silk auto scarfs in all colors, 75c to \$3.00.

Our Clothing Department

It might be well to remind you that a Suit or Overcoat would be an acceptable gift for Father or that Boy—HART, SCHAFFNER & MARX make of clothing will make the gift more to be appreciated—and will wear a number of years. Suits from \$20 to \$28. Other good makes from \$10 to \$20. Overcoats from \$20 to \$25. Overcoats from \$10 to \$20.